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Dear Examiner McGarry:

Thank you for the non-final Action dated Jun 3, 2004. Please enter these amendments:

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gene or gene product with an ectodermal disorder. In many cases, this entails no more than cross-referencing to a known clinical correlate. The specification describes alternative means to implement this step (p.6, lines 14-26) and teaches a large panel of TAJ genes and gene products associated with an ectodermal disorder (p.3, line 16 - p.4, line 3).

Accordingly, the uncontroverted evidence of record confirms that the Specification conveys to one skilled in the art possession of the invention as claimed. Absent countervailing evidence to the contrary, the claims are in compliance with 35USC112, first paragraph.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned if he would like to amend the claims to clarify the foregoing or seeks further clarification of the claim language.

We petition for and authorize charging our Deposit Account No.19-0750 all necessary extensions of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overcharges relating to this communication to our Dep. Acct. No.19-0750 (UTSD:0680).

Respectfully submitted,
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